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REMARKS

The above amendments result from a phone conversation with the Examiner held on June 5, 2007, in which the Examiner mentioned that the feature of having an adhesive (or other securing media) on the triangular panels (*see original Fig. 2 and page 7, lines 4-7 and lines 14-16 of the description*) of the blank for adhering to a triangular panel of an adjacent blank, when assembled into three-dimensional forms, could be patentable. Similarly, the fact that the blank has at least one of its triangular panels with a portrait printed thereon (*see original Fig. 2 and page 6, line 26 of the description*), and at least another one of its triangular panels with an image portion thereon (*see original Fig. 2 and page 7, line 1 and page 8, lines 14-16 of the description*), such that when assembled into a polyhedron, each face thereof could have a different recreational image such as a picture of a sporting figure or a portrait of a character or the like, or have an image portion that forms a complete image over at least five adjacent faces, or the entire surface, of the polyhedron (*see original Figs. 3 and 3a and page 8, lines 4-16 of the description*), shows some inventiveness.

The specification has been amended to update the Summary of the Invention section to reflect changes in the independent claims. Also, paragraph starting on page 7, line 25 has been amended to correct a typographical error. Furthermore, paragraph starting on page 8, line 4 has been amended to correct an inadvertent error (5 appearances), namely that the polyhedron depicted in Figures 3 and 3a is effectively an icosahedron (polyhedron having 20 triangular faces, and 12 vertices), rather than a dodecahedron (polyhedron having 12 pentagonal faces, and 20 vertices), and in being more clear on where are the five adjacent faces in Figure 3a, namely all five having a common vertices of the polyhedron. No new subject matter has been added by these amendments.

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In the claims, claims 1-74 have been cancelled, and new claims 75-113 have been added to respond to the Examiners rejections, and to improve the idiom as set out below. No new subject matter has been added by these amendments.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112

The Examiner has rejected claims 5-8, 13-19, 33-35, 40-43, 46, 48-54, and 68-70 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Accordingly, the applicant has cancelled claims 1-74 and added new claims 75-113 in which care has been taken not to include any non-clarity and/or any inconsistency and/or any lack of antecedent basis as raised by the Examiner therein. Therefore, the applicant respectfully requests that rejections of claims 5-8, 13-19, 33-35, 40-43, 46, 48-54, and 68-70 under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph be withdrawn.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 10-12, 20, 21, 24-26, 31, 32, 36, 45-47, 55, 56, 59-62, 66 and 67 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Crowell (fig. 24 emb); claims 1, 10, 11, 13-15, 21, 24-29, 31, 32, 36, 45, 46, 48-50, 56, 59-62, 66 and 67 as being anticipated by Wallack; claims 1-6, 9-11, 21-26, 31, 36-41, 44-46, 56-61 and 66 as being anticipated by Weissman (figs. 1-14 emb.); and claims 1-11, 19, 21-26, 31, 36-46, 54, 56-61 and 66 as being anticipated by Mustoe.

Accordingly, the applicant has cancelled claims 1-74 and added new claims 75-113.

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Re claims 75 and 88: New independent claims 75 and 88 disclose a blank for construction of a three-dimensional form (claim 75), or the form itself (claim 88), that comprises:

- a first rhomboid panel having first, second and third edges, a first fold line and a second fold line, the first and second fold lines defining a first pair of triangular panels;
- a second rhomboid panel connected to the first rhomboid panel along the second fold line, the second rhomboid panel having first, second and third edges and a third fold line, the third fold line and the second fold line defining a second pair of triangular panels;
- at least one securing flap connected to one of the first rhomboid panel edges, the first and second rhomboid panels being folded towards each other about the second fold line, the first pair of triangles being folded towards each other about the first fold line, the second pair of triangles being folded towards each other about the third fold line, the securing flap being folded over and connected to one of the second rhomboid panel edges; and
- a securing media connected to at least one of the triangular panels (see page 7, lines 4-6, and lines 13-16 and Fig. 2 of the original disclosure) for selective adherence to a corresponding triangular panel of an adjacent form. (Emphasis added)

In fact, none of the cited art documents discloses, teach or even suggest, either alone or in combination, the newly added feature into Independent claims 75 and 88, having a securing media connected to at least one of the triangular panels of the blank (or form) for selective adherence thereof to a corresponding triangular panel of an adjacent form. With this securing media, such as an adhesive surface covered by a piece of typically transparent adhesive material, VELCRO™, magnetic strips and the like (see original Fig. 2 and page 7, lines 14-16 of the description), one can easily assemble the different three-dimensional forms (obtained from the blanks) together into a polyhedron such as

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the icosahedron shown in Figures 3 and 3a, whenever desired; and disassemble it before reassembling it with different images on its faces (*see original Figs. 3 and 3a and page 7, lines 16-19 and page 8, lines 4-16 of the description*).

Re claims 76-87 and 89-113: Claims 76-87 and 89-113 are dependent on either new claim 75 or new claim 88 and contain all limitations thereof. Accordingly, the Applicant submits that these dependent claims are also respectfully believed not to be anticipated by any of the cited art documents, for the same reasons set out above for new claims 75 and 88.

Therefore, the applicant respectfully requests that rejections of claims 1-15, 19-29, 31, 32, 36-50, 54-62, 66 and 67 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) be withdrawn.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 103

The Examiner has rejected claims 16, 17, 51 and 52 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Crowell (fig. 24 emb) in view of Hanson; claims 18 and 53 as being unpatentable over the prior art as applied to claims 17 and 52 above, and further in view of either Reese et al or Lisbon; claim 30 as being unpatentable over Wallach in view of Hanson; claims 33-35 and 68-70 as being unpatentable over Weissman in view of Gavula, Jr.; claims 63 and 65 as being unpatentable over Wallach or Crowell, each in view of Hanson; claim 64 as being unpatentable over either Wallach or Crowell, each in view of Hollander; and claims 71-74 as being unpatentable over Crowell in view of Paige or Kner.

Accordingly, the applicant has cancelled claims 1-74 and added new claims 75-113.

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Re claims 75 and 88: In fact, based on the above, new independent claims 75 and 88 are respectfully believed not be obvious to anyone skilled in the art, based on the cited art.

Re claims 76-87 and 89-113: Claims 76-87 and 89-113 are dependent on either new claim 75 or new claim 88 and contain all limitations thereof. Accordingly, the Applicant submits that these dependent claims are also respectfully believed not to be obvious in view of the cited art documents, for the same reasons set out above for new claims 75 and 88.

More specifically, for reference, new claims 76-83, 86 and 87 are essentially similar to pending claims 2, 3, 12-17, 19 and 20, respectively. Claims 84 and 85 replace pending claim 18 and refer to the securing media of new claim 75 being an adhesive surface covered by a peelable piece or adhesive film, the later being preferably transparent.

Similarly, new claims 89-94, 97-102, 104, 105, 112 and 113 are essentially similar to pending claims 22-33, 35, 34, 71 and 72, respectively. Claims 95 and 96 are similar to claims 84 and 85. Claims 106-111 refer to features described hereinabove and disclosed in the description as originally filed.

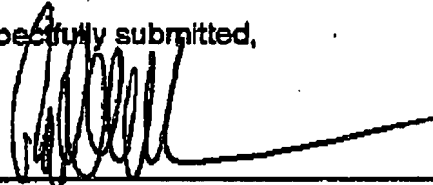
Therefore, the applicant respectfully requests that rejections of claims 16-18, 30, 33-35, 51-53, 64-65 and 68-74 as being unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) be withdrawn.

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In light of the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully believes that new claims 75-113 are patentable in view of the cited art, and respectfully submits that the Application is now in condition for allowance and requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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Encl.: Petition for Extension of Time (2 months) with fee payment form (2 pages)

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